

Doctor of Laws, honoris causa, March 20, 1975.

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Mr. Treasurer ~

It is my most pleasant duty to present to you and to this Convocation The Honourable Mr. Justice Ernest Patrick Hartt and to request that you confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. His Lordship has devoted his outstanding energy and ability to the analysis and improvement of our laws of criminal justice. To his academic attainments he has added long experience gained as a teacher in the fields of criminal law and procedure, as a practitioner when he defended with vigor, skill and scrupulous fairness the rights of those facing prosecution, and as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Ontario when the contesting interests of the citizen and the Crown were disposed by his judgment.

The varied and complementary attributes which he brought to the exacting and creative demands of the post of Chairman of the Law Reform Commission of Canada were enhanced and directed by his critical dissatisfaction with imperfect procedural rules and sensitive awareness of the need for humane revision and development of the laws under which the rights of individuals within the state are protected and defined.

I request you, Sir, to confer upon The Honourable Mr. Justice Ernest Patrick Hartt the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.